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RESEARCH AND TRAINING IN TROPICAL DISEASES (TDR),
GENEVA, DEC 7-8, 1976

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1. PURSUANT TO INSTRUCTIONS REF (B) MISSION HAS DISCUSSED
CURRENT OUTLOOK FOR RESOLVING TDR PROGRAM STRUCTURE PRO-
BLEMS WITH DR. FLACHE, DIRECTOR OF WHO'S COORDINATION
DIVISION. FOLLOWING POINTS EMERGED FROM THESE CONVER-
SATIONS.

2. D-G MAHLER HAS NOT APPROACHED SCANDINAVIAN GOVERNMENTS
SINCE TDR MEETING AND AT PRESENT HAS NO FIRM PLANS TO DO
SO. WHO IS GIVING THOUGHT, HOWEVER, TO SENDING SENIOR
OFFICIALS (ASYG BERNARD, DR. FLACHE, DR. LUCAS) TO
CAPITALS OF MAJOR TDR PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS OR POTENTIAL
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PARTICIPANTS, INCLUDING SCANDINAVIA AND NORT AMERICA
PRIOR TO MARCH MEETING OF WORKING GROUP. CO-SPONSORS MUST
FIRST DECIDE ON WHO SHOULD BE INVITED TO MARCH MEETING
AND ON EXACT DATE FOR MEETING.

3. AS RESULT OF RECENT TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN
WORLD BANK PRESIDENT MCNAMARA AND D-G MAHLER, WHICH

LATTER CONSIDERS TO HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY POSITIVE IN TERMS OF PROSPECTS FOR THE BANK'S JOINING THE PROGRAM AS CO-SPONSOR, ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR A MEETING IN WASHINGTON JANUARY 18 BETWEEN SENIOR WORLD BANK OFFICIALS HEADED BY VICE PRESIDENT WARREN BAUM AND DRS. FLACHE AND LUCAS. MASHLER OF UNDP/NEW YORK HAS ALSO BEEN INVITED TO ATTEND MEETING, PURPOSE OF WHICH IS TO IRON OUT VARIOUS DETAILS OF INTEREST TO /CO-SPONSORS" AND TO DISCUSS NEXT STEPS, PARTICULARLY WITH A VIEW TO INSURING SUCCESSFUL WORKING GROUP MEETING IN MARCH. AS INDICATED REF (C) FLACHE AND LUCAS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO MEET WITH USG JANUARY 19 IN THE MORNING.

4. IN VIEW OF FOREGOING WE HAVE NOT CONTACTED OTHER GENEVA MISSIONS REGARDING DEMARCHE PROPOSAL, AND HAVE NO PLANS FOR TAKING FURTHER INITIATIVES UNTIL RECEIPT OF NEW GUIDANCE WHICH DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO PROVIDE FOLLOWING USG CONVERSATIONS WITH WHO OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON NEXT WEEK.CATTO

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